

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3478) to amend title 44, United States Code, to improve the efficiency of operations by the National Archives and Records Administration and to reauthorize the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 3478) was read the third time and passed.

EXECUTIVE BRANCH FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORTING ACT OF 2004

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 757, S. 2688.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2688) to provide for a report of Federal entities without annually audited financial statements.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the amendments at the desk be agreed to, the bill, as amended, be read the third time, passed, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 4063) was agreed to, as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 4063

On page 2, line 10, strike "60 days" and insert "120 days".

On page 3, line 2, insert after "temporary commissions" the following: "in existence at least 12 months".

On page 3, strike beginning with line 9 through page 4, line 4, and insert the following:

(3) an assessment of the capability of and the costs that would be incurred for Federal entities of the categories listed under paragraphs (1) and (2) to prepare annual financial statements and to have such statements independently audited;

(4) an assessment of how to reduce the costs of preparing the financial statements and performing independent audits for Federal entities of the categories listed under paragraphs (1) and (2); and

(5) an assessment of the benefits of improved financial oversight encompassing the executive branch, including the Federal entities of the categories listed under paragraphs (1) and (2), and an assessment of the feasibility of preparing annual financial statements and independently audited statements for the Federal entities in the categories listed under paragraphs (1) and (2).

The bill (S. 2688), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

(The bill will be printed in a future edition of the RECORD.)

LONG ISLAND SOUND STEWARDSHIP ACT OF 2004

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Environment and Public Works Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 2691, and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2691) to establish the Long Island Sound Stewardship Initiative.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Lieberman amendment at the desk be agreed to, the bill, as amended, be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements related to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 4064) was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

The bill (S. 2691), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

WATER RESOURCES ACT OF 1984 REAUTHORIZATION

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Environment and Public Works Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 2847 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2847) to reauthorize the Water Resources Act of 1984.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (S. 2847) was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 2847

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH.

(a) GENERAL AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 104(f)(1) of the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10303(f)(1)) is amended by striking "\$9,000,000 for fiscal year 2001, \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2002 and 2003, and \$12,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2004 and 2005" and inserting "\$12,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2005 through 2008 and \$13,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2009 and 2010".

(b) APPROPRIATIONS FOR RESEARCH FOCUSED ON WATER PROBLEMS OF INTERSTATE NATURE.—Section 104(g)(1) of the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10303(g)(1)) is amended by striking "\$3,000,000 for fiscal year 2001, \$4,000,000 for fiscal years

2002 and 2003, and \$6,000,000 for fiscal years 2004 and 2005" and inserting "\$6,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2005 through 2008 and \$7,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2009 and 2010".

CLARIFYING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE JOHN H. CHAFEE COAST BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Environment and Public Works Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3056, and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3056) to clarify the boundaries of the John H. Chafee Coast Barrier Resources System Cedar Keys Unit P25 on Otherwise Protected Area P25P.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements related to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

FOR THE RELIEF OF RICHI JAMES LESLEY—H.R. 712

FOR THE RELIEF OF ROCCO A. TRECOSTA OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA—S. 2042

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 712 and S. 2042, en bloc, and the Senate proceed to their immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will state the bills by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 712) for the relief of Richi James Lesley.

A bill (S. 2042) for the relief of Rocco A. Trecosta of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bills.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bills be read the third time and passed, en bloc, that the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bills be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 712), was read the third time and passed.

The bill (S. 2042), was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 2042

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. COMPENSATION OF BACK PAY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall pay, out of any money in the